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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This preliminary amendment is filed together with the National Phase Entry of PCT Application PCT/CA2003/001494.

The applicant requests that the preliminary amendment be entered prior to the calculation of the fees which are due on the National Phase Entry.

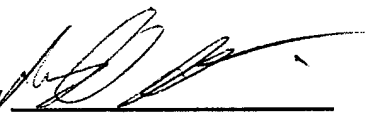
Claims 20-60 have been cancelled without prejudice to reduce the filing fees. The applicant intends to file a divisional application for the cancelled claims at a later date.

In view of the forgoing, favourable consideration of the application with a view to early allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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